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EASY LINK FROM CYCLEWAY TO DOMAIN



NEW CONNECTION: The designer's image of the new bridge, which is due to be finished by the end of this year.

Construction has started on a new pedestrian and cycling bridge that will cross the Tasman Highway linking Soldiers Memorial Avenue on the Queens Domain to ANZAC Parade and the Cenotaph.

The bridge will connect with the Intercity Cycleway, making a more direct cycling and walking trip to the Doone Kennedy Hobart Aquatic Centre and other sporting and leisure facilities on the Queens Domain.

There will be some disruption to pedestrian and cycling access during construction, and pathways will be re-aligned on both sides of the highway. Later in 2018 there will be an exciting event when the main bridge span is craned into position. On this day for a few hours the Tasman Highway will be closed to vehicle traffic.

The \$10 million bridge is being partly funded by

the Australian Government's Centenary of ANZAC Public Fund.

Facts and figures:

- 196.7 metres long, 57-metre span across the Tasman Highway
- 320 tonnes of steel
- safe access for people with disabilities. ■



EASY PARKING: New parking meters can be paid by phone, card or coins. Photo: City of Hobart.

New parking meters to accept payment by phone, cards or coin

You can stop hoarding coins now that new parking meters are being rolled out across Hobart.

The new meters will accept payment by phone, credit card, debit card or coins.

The benefit of paying by phone is that you can 'top up' your meter with your phone and receive reminders that your meter is about to expire. Parking time limits will still apply, so if you've been in a two-hour park for two hours you cannot extend your stay.

To pay by phone, just download the EasyPark app to your smart phone.

The meters are due to start working in April 2018.

For more information about the new meters and payment options, visit hobartcity.com.au/newparkingmeters ■



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ON TOP: A raised wombat crossing in Melbourne. Photo: City of Hobart.

West Hobart better pathways

West Hobart's busy Hill Street will become a little easier for people to ride and walk around, with work to begin on new pedestrian and cycling safety features in April.

On-road bicycle lanes will be marked between Cavell and Patrick streets (uphill), Petty and Pine streets (uphill), Pine Street roundabout towards Petty Street, and between Hamilton and Pine streets (both directions).

A new 'wombat' crossing, which is a marked pedestrian 'zebra' crossing on a raised hump across the road, will be trialled north of Pine Street.

Pedestrians will also benefit from new median islands and ramps near Petty and Allison streets and improved median islands and ramps on the northern side of Hamilton and Brisbane streets.

Better bus stop facilities will include seating and a new bus 'platform' for the outbound bus stop near Hamilton Street.

yoursay.hobartcity.com.au/walk_west_hobart ■

City laneway new public art gallery

The City of Hobart has joined forces with Vibrance Festival organisers to transform blank walls in Bidendopes Lane into works of public art.

Bidendopes Lane, off Murray Street, has been a known graffiti hotspot for some years and was chosen as the site for the 2018 festival to create artworks that were less likely to be 'tagged'.

The week-long February festival involved experienced artists, as well as people starting out on their large-scale art careers.

For more information about the City's urban art walls program visit hobartcity.com.au/urbanartwalls ■



GOOD VIBRATIONS: Artists have transformed inner-city walls in the second Vibrance Festival in Hobart. Photo: City of Hobart.

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SUPER CITIZENS: Citizen of the Year winners Naomi Marantelli, Amanda French (for Mitch McPherson), Acting Lord Mayor, Alderman Ron Christie, Young Citizen of the Year Grace Nguyen, and Meredith Hepburn, Raylene Cox and David Swann from Relay for Life, Community Event of the Year.

Hobart citizens awarded for their good works

This year's Hobart Citizen of the Year award has been bestowed on not one but two local heroes: Mitch McPherson and Naomi Marantelli.

Mitch founded the suicide prevention charity SPEAK UP! Stay ChatTY in memory of his brother Ty who died in 2013. Since then he's spoken at hundreds of events, partnered with community groups and used social media to get people talking.

Naomi has used her talents for art and teaching to welcome new migrants to Hobart by helping them celebrate and share their cultures through creative

community projects.

Young Citizen of the Year goes to Grace Nguyen, who has thrown herself into local university life, establishing the Vietnamese Student Association Tasmania, volunteering as a student ambassador and taking part in the Human Library project.

Community Event of the Year is Relay for Life, which is organised by a committee of volunteers through Cancer Council Tasmania. The relay fundraiser is held annually at the Domain Athletics Centre and has been running for 17 years. ■

STYLISH SHOPPING AREAS ON WAY



MID-TOWN: A section of Hobart's Elizabeth Street is the next retail precinct to be re-imagined. Photo: Alastair Bett.

Work will begin this autumn on South Hobart's new pedestrian crossings, a concept design for the upgrade of the New Town retail precinct opens for public comment and consultation will soon kick off on an upgrade to Hobart's 'mid-town' precinct in Elizabeth Street.

South Hobart

The improved South Hobart crossings in Macquarie Street will provide several opportunities for people to cross the road safely and improve access to the shops and services in the lower South Hobart village. The improvements will occur in stages, with pedestrian lights due to be installed in the next financial year. A more comprehensive streetscape upgrade is programmed for South Hobart in 2021.

To see the plans and find out more about what's happening in South Hobart, log on to yoursay.hobartcity.com.au/soho-ped

New Town

A draft streetscape plan for the New Town precinct has been prepared in response to the recommendations of the New Town community's Project Action Team. View and comment on the

draft streetscape plan until the end of March at yoursay.hobartcity.com.au/newtownprecinct

Elizabeth Street Mid-town

With the completion of the UTAS Hobart Apartments on the corner of Elizabeth and Melville streets, the City is preparing to upgrade the Elizabeth Street mid-town retail area. Like the Lenah Valley and New Town upgrades, the City will bring together people who live, work, trade, shop, study and spend time in the area to guide the design for the streetscape plan. If you are interested in getting involved, or if you'd just like to stay informed, please register at yoursayhobart.com.au/midtown

Lenah Valley

Construction in Augusta Road Lenah Valley is well underway and design responses to the public art project will be incorporated into work over the coming months, for more information: hobartcity.com.au/Projects/Lenah-Valley-Retail-Precinct-Upgrade. ■

BIGGER, BETTER TOILET BLOCK ON WAY FOR ARGYLE STREET



PAVING THE WAY: The new three-storey amenities building will sit next to the car park. Image: artist's impression.

Work has begun on a new amenities building next to the Argyle Street Car Park. The three-storey building will include new public toilets, a modern parenting room and showering and disability changing facilities.

The new building will replace the car park's ageing toilets and parenting room, which will eventually be demolished to make way for the new Vibe hotel.

The City is also putting rubbish skips underground behind the car park in Kemp Street to improve pedestrian access, traffic flow and appearance.

Once the toilet block and underground rubbish storage are finished, Kemp Street will be landscaped to make it a more attractive place to walk through. ■



NEW LIFE: The Recycling Centre accepts small amounts of plastic, metal and glass items. Image: City of Hobart.

Drop off hard-to-recycle goods at Council Centre

The City of Hobart has opened a Recycling Centre for small household hard-to-recycle items, which is open Monday to Friday, 8.15 am – 5.15 pm.

The Recycling Centre at the Hobart Council Centre on the corner of Elizabeth and Davey streets accepts:

- light globes and fluorescent tubes
- batteries
- toner cartridges
- mobile phones
- DVDs and CDs
- x-rays
- cosmetic containers
- toothpaste tubes and brushes

- mail satchels
- pens
- small electronics such as remote controls.

The centre incorporates recycled plastic in its design, and items collected will be used to make new plastic products, asphalt, car parts, insulation and fertiliser.

Larger items like computers, televisions, household appliances, furniture, construction items and paint can be taken to the McRobies Gully Waste Management Centre for recycling.

Increased recycling helps the City reach its Waste Strategy goal of zero waste to landfill by 2030, which was recently awarded the 2017 Tasmanian Community Achievement Sustainability Award. ■



SMOKE-FREE HOBART: signs show which areas ban smoking. Image: City of Hobart.

Smoke-free Hobart expands its reach

New Tasmanian laws mean e-cigarettes and herbal cigarettes cannot be used in smoke-free places in Hobart.

The City manages the signage and information for smoke-free areas in the following places: Elizabeth Mall, Wellington Court, Hobart bus mall, Mathers Lane, Collins Court, Salamanca Square, City undercover car parks, City playgrounds, and outdoor dining areas.

City officers have teamed up with the Department of Health and Quit Tasmania to provide information about the new laws and promote the benefit of our smoke-free areas to locals and visitors over the past few months. ■

Hobart puts stop to fossil fuel investments

Hobart has strengthened its commitment to climate change by resolving to stop investing in coal, gas and oil.

The Hobart City Council decided in December 2017 to change its investment policy so it will no longer invest funds with financial institutions which lend to the fossil fuel industries. This policy places Hobart at the forefront of the climate change and divestment movement.

The decision to fully divest follows changes in 2015 which prioritised financial institutions that didn't invest in fossil fuel projects.

Council will also seek to borrow from institutions that do not invest in these industries.

The Council is reviewing its climate change strategy for the coming years, which will soon be released for public comment: yoursay.hobartcity.com.au/climate-change-strategy-review. ■



Coffee cups on the waste heap

One of the items holding Hobart back from its zero waste to landfill goal is takeaway coffee cups.

These cups cannot be recycled or composted in Hobart and there's a lot of them.

To tackle this problem, the City of Hobart has joined forces with Markets for Change to promote the use of reusable cups with the Cup Conscious Cafe campaign.

If you sell takeaway coffee and want to join the campaign visit www.cupconsciouscafe.com

If you want to help reduce waste, get a reusable cup and visit outlets which display the Cup Conscious logo or ask your favourite cafe to join. ■



TASTE OF TASMANIA TURNS IT ON

STYLISH SIPPING: This year's Taste of Tasmania saw well over 200 000 people attend over seven days, with new features such as The Atrium (pictured). To keep up to date with plans for next year's 30th anniversary, subscribe to the newsletter at thetasteoftasmania.com.au. Photo: Alastair Bett.

Hobart lends helping hand on waste to Balibó



COUNTRY TOWN: View of Balibó taken from the old fort. Photo: Isabel Nolasco.

The City of Hobart is investigating how it can work with the Timorese town of Balibó to help it manage its waste and recycling.

Balibó is a relatively small town with a population close to 16 000 but large areas were destroyed in the lead up to the 1999 vote for independence.

A small delegation of officers and aldermen visited Timor-Leste in January to meet with Balibó officials to discuss how Hobart could lend its expertise to set up a demonstration waste-recycling project.

Balibó, like other rural towns, is facing public health problems due to rubbish being dumped in waterways and bushland, plastic rubbish being burned and no central waste management system.

The project may become a catalyst towards a relationship of mutual learning and understanding between Balibó and Hobart. ■

Significant tree register now open for new nominations

Trees can play an important role in local areas, and to ensure they are protected the City of Hobart operates a Significant Tree register.

The City is now calling for nominations for additions to the register before 1 May 2018.

Anyone can make a nomination for trees on public or private property.

Nominations are assessed according to trees' aesthetic significance, outstanding size, age, links to historic events or people, landmark significance, rarity or ecological value.

To view the current register and download a nomination form visit hobartcity.com.au/sigtrees or visit the Council Centre on the corner of Davey and Elizabeth streets. ■



LOCAL FEATURE: This *Schinus areira* (peppercorn tree) in Bathurst Street is considered significant as it is a landmark for the area and street. Photo: City of Hobart

Tolmans Hill gets ready to play

Tolmans Hill is set to get a new local playground following a strong campaign from residents and transfer of land from the state government.

The City drew up draft plans for the playground last year and asked locals what they thought about the nature-based design.

As a result of feedback, an expanded plan was drawn up that also includes exercise equipment for adults, another bike track for older children, more fencing and extra car park spaces.

The new playground will be finished in the first half of 2018. For more information visit www.hobartcity.com.au/Projects/Tolmans-Hill-Playground ■

Visitors centre on city information

The City of Hobart is building a new information booth in Elizabeth Mall to cater to a booming tourism market and better support the city economy.

The booth will help service visitors staying in city hotels as well as the increasing number of cruise ship passengers.

Experienced travel advisors will staff the booth, which will offer bookings for tourism experiences. Research shows that visitors who receive quality advice on things to see and do may extend their stay or return.

As well as servicing tourists, the booth will advertise local events and activities on digital screens that will be of interest to Hobartians.

Construction of the new booth is scheduled to finish in April. There will be no impact on customer access to Elizabeth Mall businesses during construction. ■



INFORMATION CENTRAL: The new information booth in the Elizabeth Mall will provide information to visitors and locals alike.

WHAT'S ON

Bushcare

Autumn working bees various locations
hobartcity.com.au/bushcare

Bush Adventures

Autumn activities program various locations
hobartcity.com.au/bushadventures

Mathers House

Autumn activities program
108 Bathurst Street, Hobart
Hobartcity.com.au/mathershous

Youth Arts and Recreation Centre

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 3–6 pm
Open Access for 12–25 year olds
youthartsandrec.org

Dahlia and Floral Art Show

9–10 March
Hobart Town Hall
hobartcity.com.au

Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery Children's Festival

17–22 April
tmag.tas.gov.au

COUNCIL MEETINGS OPEN TO ALL

All Hobart City Council meetings are open to the public and start at 5 pm in the Town Hall Council Chamber, 50 Macquarie Street, Hobart.

If you can't come in person you can listen live online or to a recording after the meeting by visiting: hobartcity.com.au/listenlive

To see what's on the agenda, visit the City of Hobart website: <http://hobart.infocouncil.biz>

Meeting dates for March–June 2018 are Mondays:

- 5 and 19 March
- 9 and 23 April
- 7 and 21 May
- 4 and 18 June

The 2018 meeting schedule is available on the website at hobartcity.com.au/councilmeeting